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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of ) Group Art Unit: 1648  
Braun and Sutton )  
 ) Confirmation No: 7273  
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Serial No: 09/966,608 ) Examiner: L. Scheiner  
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Filed: September 27, 2001 )  
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For: IBD-ASSOCIATED )  
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